

# Mewahang language

**Mewahang** (Meohang), or **Newahang**, is a Kiranti language spoken in Nepal. The eastern and western dialects are structurally distinct.

## Distribution and dialects

**Western Mewahang** is spoken in the upper Arun valley west of the Arun River in Sankhuwasabha District, Kosi Zone, in the villages of Bala, Yamdang, Tamku, and Sisuwa (*Ethnologue*).

- The *Bala* dialect is spoken in Bala village, Sankhuwasabha VDC.
- The *Bumdemba* dialect is spoken in Sishuwakhola VDC.

**Eastern Mewahang** is spoken in Mangtewa, Yaphu, and Choyang VDC's of Sankhuwasabha District, Kosi Zone (*Ethnologue*). It is spoken in the upper Arun valley east of the Arun River.

- The *Sunsari* dialect is spoken Bhaludhunga and Bishnupaduka VDC's of Sunsari District.
- The *Dibum* (*Dibung*) dialect is spoken in Mangtewa VDC
- The *Mulgaon-Wangtang* dialect is spoken in Yaphu VDC.

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Meohang	
Mewahang	
Native to	Nepal
Region	Koshi Zone
Native speakers	4,700 (2011 census) <sup>[1]</sup>
Language family	Sino-Tibetan <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Mahakiranti ?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Kiranti<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Eastern<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Upper Arun<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Meohang</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Either: <div>emg – Eastern</div> <div>raf – Western</div>
Glottolog	mewa1252 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/mewa1252">http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/mewa1252</a> ) <sup>[2]</sup>

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